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To: All Prospective Offerors

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Subject: Question-and-Answer (Q&A) Correspondence No. 1

Reference: Request For Quotations No. 19JA80-20-Q-0688
Mitsui Housing Compound Grounds Restoration Work

In response to questions received in regard to the referenced solicitation, the Contracting Officer is disseminating the following information:

Question 1

What is the purpose laying and compacting bark chips and mulch in this restoration work?

Answer 1

The area is used as dog-run. The soil is muddy when raining and dusty when dry. Grass will not grow properly because the dogs are active in that area. The mulch was recommended by dog owners.

Question 2

**Documents of statement of work say this work needed 115 bags × 120L of bark chips and 360 bags × 50L of mulch.
How do you estimate this quantity?**

Answer 2

Using bags x contents, the above quantity was calculated to be enough to cover the area at about 70mm thickness.
Using bags x contents as standard requirement for quantity is easy and clearer to understand than mention the thickness which is difficult given the area is not fully flat.

Question 3

- 1. Attachment I-2 Drawings say bark chips depth is 70mm but I think it including both bark chips and mulch.**
- 2. What is the percentage of bark chips and mulch?**

Answer 3

1. Yes, 70mm is for both mulch and bark chips. 70mm is the approximate thickness on near the stepping stone to avoid tripping/covering the stones

2. No fix or mentioned percentage. Just lay evenly the quantity stated above.

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